[Sharpe to Calvert.]

Letter Bk. IV

Copy of 127th Letter to M^r Calvert Dated 13th March 1764. transmitted by the Content Capt New. Sir

Agreeable to what I told you when I wrote to you by the way of Bristol the 8th Inst. in answer to the Letter you had been pleased to favour me with the 19th of November I now transmit under the Great Seal Copies of the several Acts of Assembly that were made at the last Session together with a few Remarks on such of them as contain anything new, for most of them as you will observe are no more than Acts to revive & continue in force for a longer time some that were about to expire. By this same Conveyance I hoped to have also sent you Copies of the Journals of Proceedings in both Houses during the Course of the late Session but being voluminous they are not it seems yet ready, so that it will not be now in my power to transmit them before the 20th of next month when I am told another Vessel bound to London will sail from this place. Together with the Acts passed last Session I likewise send you thirty four Sheets of the Laws that are now printing from Mr Bacon's Collection on a presumption that you would be glad to see how that Work is carried on & I shall from time to time send you the Rest of the Sheets as they come from the Press so that your Collection or Volume might be compleated & that in Case the Lords of Trade should again call on you for a Copy of the Maryland Laws you may have it in your power to shew them that the Work is in great forwardness & that it will probably within a year be in my power to comply with Their Ldp's Requisition. As M' Green the Printer takes great pains to perform his part well & intimated to me that he wanted a Stamp or plate to sett off & adorn the Frontispiece or Title Page with His Ldp's or the Province Arms, I could not help telling him that I would desire you to send One well engraved on Block Tin or Letter Metal for that purpose & as it cannot I think cost much I hope you will put it in my power to gratify him. The Figure should I think be near twice as large as the Coat of Arms in the Frontispiece of the inclosed Book covered with blue paper & I apprehend the Supporters & also the Motto ought to be the same as on the Great Seal. As the Impression on the Great Seal is almost worn out I submit it to your Consideration whether it would not be well to get another made & sent hither to replace it especially as there seems to be an Impropriety in using a Seal at this time bearing the name of Charles Lord Baltimore as Proprietary of the Province when his Descendant Frederick is the true Lord Proprietary & as the Great Seals of the neighbouring Provinces make a large &